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SUBJ: FOREIGN DISASTER EMERGENCY RELIEF

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1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED A FORMAL REQUEST FROM THE MINISTER OF HEALTH, REPUBLIC OF MALDIVES, FOR ADDITIONAL FOREIGN DISASTER EMERGENCY RELIEF ASSISTANCE IN COMBATTING CHOLERA. REQUEST IS FOR DLRS 18,500.

2. GOVERNMENT OF MALDIVES (GOM) HAS EXHAUSTED DLRS 25,000 OF US DISASTER RELIEF FUNDS PROVIDED IN APRIL 1978. ACCORDING TO GOM FUNDS WERE EXPENDED AS FOLLOWS:

DRUGS FOR HOSPITAL AND CONTACT TREATMENT DLRS 1,966

SENDING MEDICAL TEAMS TO ATOLLS 5,968

LOCAL EXPENSES FOR DOCTORS 4,337

PURCHASE OF 6 FIBRE GLASS TANKS AND 1

REFRIGERATOR 6,643

ITEMS PURCHASED FOR HOSPITAL 1,891

SALARIES OF TEMPORARY NURSES 264

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES 3,931

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TOTAL DLRS 25,000

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3. ALTHOUGH EPIDEMIC HAS BEEN BROUGHT UNDER CONTROL AND MORE THAN 95 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION OF MALDIVES HAVE BEEN VACCINATED FOR CHOLERA, THE GOVERNMENT IS PLANNING TO ADMINISTER A BOOSTER DOSE TO THE ENTIRE POPULATION IN THE NEAR FUTURE. EXCEPTIONALLY HEAVY EMERGENCY EXPENSES WILL BE INCURRED IN THIS PROGRAM. WE HAVE COORDINATED WITH UNICEF AND WHO OFFICIALS AND ARE IN AGREEMENT THAT ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE IS URGENTLY NEEDED AT THIS TIME

TO ASSIST THE GOM IN TAKING THE NECESSARY PREVENTATIVE MEASURES  
IN COMBATING A RENEWED OUTBREAK.

4. FUNDS WOULD BE USED FOR THE PROVISIONING OF MEDICINE AND  
TRANSPORTATION TO THE VARIOUS ATOLLS IN MALDIVES.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: ADDITIONAL FOREIGN DISASTER EMERGENCY  
RELIEF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF DLRS 18,500 BE MADE AVAILABLE TO  
THE EMBASSY. PROVIDE APPROPRIATE OBLIGATION DATA FOR FUNDS  
PROVIDED.

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